



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 05552.1464-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Udo KRUPKA	)	Group Art Unit: 1648
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Application No.: 10/561,343	)	Examiner: Sharon L. Hurt
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PCT Filed: June 17, 2004	)	
§ 371 Date: December 22, 2005	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: 5936
For: NOVEL SURFACE PROTEIN	)	
(HBsAg) VARIANT OF THE	)	
HEPATITIS B VIRUS	)	

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicant now replies to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper.